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Inv. Nos. 701-TA-498 and 731-TA-1213-1214 (P)

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USITC VOTES TO CONTINUE CASES ON CERTAIN STEEL THREADED ROD FROM INDIA AND THAILAND

The United States International Trade Commission (USITC) today determined that there is a reasonable indication that a U.S. industry is materially injured by reason of imports of certain steel threaded rod from India and Thailand that are allegedly sold in the United States at less than fair value and alleged to be subsidized by the Government of India.

All six Commissioners voted in the affirmative.

As a result of the Commission's affirmative determinations, the U.S. Department of Commerce will continue to conduct its investigations on imports of these products, with its preliminary countervailing duty determination due on or about September 20, 2013, and its preliminary antidumping duty determinations due on or about December 4, 2013.

The Commission's public report *Certain Steel Threaded Rod from India and Thailand* (Investigation Nos. 701-TA-498 and 731-TA-1213-1214 (Preliminary), USITC Publication 4420, August 2013) will contain the views of the Commission and information developed during the investigations.

Copies of the report are expected to be available after September 9, 2013, by emailing pubrequest@usitc.gov, calling 202-205-2000, or writing to the Office of the Secretary, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Requests may also be faxed to 202-205-2104.

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Office of Industries Washington, DC 20436

FACTUAL HIGHLIGHTS

Certain Steel Threaded Rod from India and Thailand Investigation Nos. 701-TA-498 and 731-TA-1213-1214 (Preliminary)

Product Description: Certain steel threaded rod is carbon steel rod, bars, or studs, threaded along greater than 25 percent of their length with a solid, circular cross section, of any diameter, in any straight length. This product is primarily used in nonresidential construction to suspend support systems for electrical conduit, pipes for plumbing, HVAC ductwork, sprinkler systems, etc. Normally, one end of the threaded rod is fastened to the ceiling and the other end is fastened to the support that is holding the pipes or ductwork or sprinkler system.

Status of Proceedings:

- 1. Type of investigations: Preliminary antidumping and countervailing duty.
- 2. Petitioners: All America Threaded Products Inc., Denver, CO; Bay Standard Manufacturing, Inc., Brentwood, CA; and Vulcan Threaded Products, Inc., Pelham, AL.

- 3. Preliminary investigations instituted by the USITC: June 27, 2013.
- 4. Commission's conference: July 18, 2013.
- 5. USITC vote: August 9, 2013.
- 6. USITC determinations to the U.S. Department of Commerce: August 12, 2013.
- 7. USITC views to the U.S. Department of Commerce: August 19, 2013.

U.S. Industry:

- 1. Number of producers in 2012: Five.
- 2. Location of producers' plants: Alabama, California, Colorado, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Texas.
- 3. Employment of production and related workers in 2012: (1)
- 4. Apparent U.S. consumption in 2012: (1)
- 5. Ratio of the value of total U.S. imports to total U.S. consumption in 2012: (1)

U.S. Imports:

- 1. From the subject countries during 2012: \$23.3 million.
- 2. From other countries during 2012: \$32.0 million.
- 3. Leading sources during 2012: China, India, and Thailand (in terms of total value).
- (1) Withheld to avoid disclosure of business proprietary information.

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